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SUFFOLK-NANSEMOND HISTORICAL SOCIETY
P. O. Box 1255
Suffolk, Virginia 23434

The Suffolk-Nansemond Historical Society will meet on Sunday, February 1, 1981 at 3:00 p.m. at Riddick's Folly on North Main Street. This is our January business meeting that got lost in the post-Christmas rush. We will mix business with pleasure again this year, because we will present our annual teacher award; a reception, honoring the recipient of the award, will follow. Please plan to attend as we have the very important business of electing new officers plus the enjoyment of the teacher award festivities.

Our fourth annual tour was a great success! The whole village of Chuckatuck opened its arms to us and it was a lovely sight to see. We had approximately 430 guests; and on the day after the tour, we deposited $1241.00. Our bills were not in at that time. A final tally will be given at the business meeting along with the executive board's recommendation for use of the proceeds. Our appreciation goes to all of those members and non-members who worked so hard for this successful tour.

A special thanks is due to Joyce (Mrs. B. L.) Trump, tour chairman, as well as, the following people who assumed extra responsibilities: Mrs. R. D. Hunter, III, publicity; Kermit Hobbs, signs and arrows; Mrs. Robert Gillette, music; Mrs. R. E. Johnson and Mrs. Sue Mays, refreshments. Also, house chairmen, Mrs. Tom Brothers, Mrs. Thomas O'Connor, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Barlow, Mrs. P. M. Burton, and Mrs. Jesse Harrell, and Mrs. Paul Saunders (a non-member who was kind enough to help us). Of course, our tour would not have been possible without the cooperation of our home owners, the owners of the Chuckatuck Mill, and the ministers and congregations of St. John's and Wesley Chapel. Thank you all for a delightfully memorable afternoon.

IT'S TIME TO PAY OUR 1981 DUES!

Dues for families are $8.00, for individuals, $5.00, for students 18 and under $2.00.

MAIL BAG

1) Of special interest in Suffolk and old Nansemond from our closest neighbors in North Carolina - The Gates County Bible Records - $15.00 per copy ppd. Make checks payable to The Gates County Historical Society and mail to the Society, % Louise Lyons, Treasurer, Route 1, Box 14, Eure, NC 27935.

2) From Freedom Heritage Books, 114 Boddington Road, Staunton, Virginia 24401. . . Great Valley Patriots, Western Virginia in the Struggle for Liberty at $15.00 (plus 4% sales tax and $1.30 postage). Also, listed - The Lexington Presbytery Heritage at $8.50 (plus 4% sales tax and $1.55 for postage).

3) A beautiful new publication is now available. "The Shennadoah Valley Magazine" includes Blue Ridge Arts and Crafts, home and garden tours, history, recipes, and much, much more. Receive ten issues for $9.97 ($12.00) for subscribers outside Virginia). Shenandoah Valley Magazine, Post Office Box 17, Mint Spring, Virginia 23363.

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4) The Historic House Association of America will meet in Richmond, April 30---May 3, 1981. The conference will feature seminars on preservation and maintenance techniques, workshops in restoration skills, and special tours of private Richmond homes and James River plantations. Space is limited and reservations are necessary. Write to HHAA, 1600 H St., NW, Washington, D. C. 20006.

INFORMATION EXCHANGE

Need information concerning descendants of William Harrison, Sr. and Jr. who lived in Chuckatuck in the 18th century. Also, want pictures on slides of the Chuckatuck-Suffolk-Nansemond area. Will gladly provide research assistance to others in the Baytown, Texas area.

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(Rev. Harrison already has the information from "The Vestry Book of the Upper Parish, Nansemond County, 1743-1793".)

My thanks to the officers of the Historical Society, as well as, the other members who have been so helpful to me in my four years as President.

Sue Woodward